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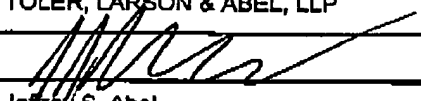
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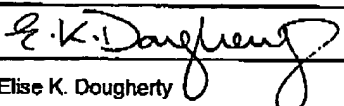
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Utility Filing Fee	790	395	
Design Filing Fee	350	175	
Plant Filing Fee	550	275	
Reissue Filing Fee	790	395	
Provisional Filing Fee	160	80	

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Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20	18	9
Each independent claim over 3	88	44
Multiple dependent claims	300	150
For Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent	18	9
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Total Claims **Extra Claims** **Fee (\$)** **Fee Paid (\$)**- 20 or HP = $\frac{\text{Total Claims}}{20}$ x $\frac{\text{Extra Claims}}{1}$ = $\frac{\text{Fee ($)}}{\text{Fee Paid ($)}}$
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Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
1-month extension of time	120	60	120.00
2-month extension of time	430	215	
3-month extension of time	980	490	
4-month extension of time	1,530	765	
5-month extension of time	2,080	1,040	
Information disclosure smt. fee	180	180	180.00
37 CFR 1.17(q) processing fee	50	50	
Non-English specification	130	130	
Notice of Appeal	340	170	
Filing a brief in support of appeal	340	170	
Request for oral hearing	300	150	
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